

Remarks

Obviousness-type Double Patenting Rejection

Claims 1 - 7 and 9-10 were rejected under the judicially created doctrine of obviousness-type double patenting as being unpatentable over claims 1 to 8 of U. S. Patent No. 6,787,603 in view of US 2006/0193805.

Applicant submits herein a terminal disclaimer in compliance with 37 CFR 1.321 to overcome this rejection.

The present response is being submitted within the three month shortened statutory period for response to the outstanding Office Action. Applicant authorizes the USPTO to charge deposit account 04-1520 for any fees that should be necessary to maintain the pendency of the application.

In view of the above, it is respectfully submitted that the claims are in condition for allowance. Applicant respectfully requests that a timely Notice of Allowance be issued in this case.

Respectfully submitted,

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